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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Braun et al.  
Serial No. : 09/351,985  
Filed : July 12, 1999  
For : MEDICINAL PRODUCT FOR THE  
PROMOTION OF WOUND HEALING

Examiner: Wang, S.  
Group Art Unit: 1617

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C., 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application, please consider the following amendments and remarks, which address issues raised in an Official Action dated May 3, 2001. Applicants had filed a request for a Continued Prosecution Application on or before August 3, 2001.

**AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

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1. (twice amended) A medicinal product for topical use for the promotion of wound healing, which comprises (a) thrombocytes or thrombocyte fragments, wherein said thrombocytes or thrombocyte fragments (i) contain growth factors and are capable of releasing the same over an extended period of time, (ii) have been prepared by a method selected from the group consisting of lyophilization and freezing; and (iii) have been subjected to a process selected from the group consisting of virus partitioning and virus